the State had entered into a contract with Messrs. Macmillian & Co., for the publication of these books and that nothing could be done until the period of the contract expired. Perhaps the period of contract has now expired. It is necessary that the books prescribed should suit Indian taste. Even if vernacular books are prescribed, they must be properly scrutinized beforehand. At present, some books are prescribed by the Text-Book Committee which consists among others of some of the authors of these books also. It is no wonder that they should recommend their own books. The important condition that these books should be well scrutinized beforehand is not fulfilled.

Inspector-General of Education.—There is a rule that such people should not attend the meeting when the question of prescribing text books is discussed.

Dewan.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 131.

Formation of a Translation Bureau.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnaiya and S. Venkatesaiya, Mysore University.

Mr. Venkatesaiya.—The work of translating Science Text Books has not made much headway. It is necessary that a Bureau for translating such works in Kannada should be established without delay.

Mr. C. Vasudeva Rao.—We have also got many original works which are not translated at all. If they are not translated promptly, there is the risk of our losing them altogether. They will be carried away by foreigners as many of our works have gone already. In Baroda, it is reported that all the books are translated into Gujarati. Translation work must be expedited and there should be a proper agency for this work.

First Member of Council.—The whole subject is under consideration. There is a special Publication Branch in the Office of the Inspector-General of Education. We want to systematise the work and the question of employing a proper agency for expediting translation is under the active consideration of Government.

SUBJECT No. 132.

Introduction of the Mahratta language into the Mysore Commercial College.

Messrs. Madappa, Setwaji Rao, Settappa Siddappa and Dharma Prakasa D. Banumiah, Mysore City Municipality.

Mr. Setwaji Rao.—Formerly, the Mahratti language was being taught in the Mysore Commercial College. It has now been abolished. There are many boys who would learn that language if taught and arrangements may be made to teach it. If properly advertized, teachers will be forthcoming.

Mr. Venkatesaiya.—There is real difficulty in some cases. Sometimes certain accounts are written up in Mahratti and it is impossible to scrutinize them for want of people who can do it.

Inspector-General of Education.—The subject will be referred to the Board of Commercial Examinations for consideration.